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## **Federal Opportunities**

**Community Services Block Grant Community Economic Development Public Markets.** The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/ Administration for Children and Families (ACF) announces funds to provide technical and financial assistance for economic development activities designed to address the economic needs of lowincome individuals and families by creating employment and business development opportunities. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, other than institutions of higher education, and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is September 16, 2004. Approximately \$1 million is available to make 4-6 awards of up to \$250,000 each. For further information, contact Debbie Brown at dbrown@acf.hhs.gov or (202) 401-3446; or go to: http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041 800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-18783.htm. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

NEA Jazz in the Schools. The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) announces funds to develop an educational curriculum on jazz to enhance appreciation for jazz as America's music, build audiences for jazz, and invest in the future of jazz. The successful recipient of the Cooperative Agreement will design, develop, and produce educational materials on jazz for national distribution. The first curricular unit and a plan for the full curriculum must be developed in time for distribution in spring 2005. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, and units of state or local government. The deadline for applications is September 20, 2004, at 4:00pm. Approximately

\$100,000 is available. A one-to-one match is required. For further information, contact William Hummel, NEA, Grants & Contracts Office, at (202) 682-5417 or <a href="mailto:contracts@arts">contracts@arts</a>; or go to: <a href="http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/index.html">http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/index.html</a>.

# **District Opportunities**

2005 HIV Prevention Program Grants. The Department of Health (DOH)/HIV/AIDS Administration (HAA) announces funds to conceptualize, develop and manage relevant and effective HIV/AIDS prevention in DC. Grants will be made in the following three program areas: Primary Prevention for HIV-Positive Persons; HE/RR for Priority Target Populations; and Community Level Interventions. Eligible applicants include: private entities, including community development corporations, community action agencies, and community- and faith-based organizations; private nonprofit and for-profit organizations; and small businesses. The deadline for application is September 30, 2004, at 4:00pm. Approximately \$2 million is available to make 9-13 awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$225,000. The RFA may be obtained from 825 North Capital Street, NE, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, reception area, Washington, DC 20002. The RFA can be downloaded from the Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development website - www.opgd.dc.gov, select District Grants Clearinghouse. For further information, contact DOH's Office of Grants Management at (202) 442-9414.

City Build Incentive Grant. The State Education Office (SEO), on behalf of the Executive Office of the Mayor, announces funds to promote charter school relocation in conjunction with neighborhood



development. City Build is a joint neighborhood development and education project that aims to promote school choice with a particular focus on strengthening public charter schools and stabilizing strategic neighborhoods. The focus of City Build stretches beyond excellence in academics; it focuses on creating neighborhood centers based in charter school facilities. The long-term goal for City Build is to anchor strategic neighborhoods with prospering schools that have been provided funding through the program. Eligible applicants include any organization/entity meeting one of the following criteria: public charter school boards of trustees, holding a valid DC charter, with enrolled DC students; or DC-based nonprofit or for-profit organizations, representing a public charter school, and benefiting that school. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2004, at 5:00pm (EST). A total of \$5 million is available to fund 5 organizations up to \$1 million each. A Pre-Application Conference will be held August 24, 2004, 5:00pm-6:00pm, at SEO, 441 4th Street, NE, Suite 350 North. For further information, contact Rebecca Sibilia, Management Officer, SEO, at (202) 724-2294; or go to: www.opgd.dc.gov, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, District Grants Clearinghouse.

*The DC Office on Aging (DCOA)*, <u>FY 2005 Ward 8 Lead Agency Grant Program</u>, August 24, 2004, at 5:00pm.

The Department of Health (DOH)/HIV/AIDS Administration (HAA), Housing and Housing Services for People Living with HIV/AIDS, August 27, 2004, at 4:00pm.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Folk and Traditional Arts Mini Grants, September 2, 2004, at 6:00pm.

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), Housing Grants, September 3, 2004, at 4:00pm.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and

Justice (ODMPSJ)/Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Juvenile Justice Challenge Activities Grants, September 7, 2004, at 5:00pm.

*The Office of the Secretary (OS),* Escheated Estates, September 24 and December 30, 2004.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Arts Learning and Outreach: Teacher Mini-Grant Program, September 30, 2004, at 6:00pm.

The Department of Human (DHS), Home Visits to TANF Sanctioned Customers, October 15, 2004, at 4:00pm. The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Young Artists, October 25, 2004.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Small Projects Program (SPP), December 2, 2004, March 3, 2005, and June 2, 2005.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

# **Foundation Opportunities**

NEW DEADLINE. Neighborhood Excellence **Initiative.** Bank of America recently launched its Neighborhood Excellence Initiative to recognize, nurture and reward organizations, local heroes and student leaders – in 30 of the bank's major communities across the country – that are helping rebuild and revitalize their neighborhoods. The Neighborhood Builders program provides grants and leadership training to groups working to promote vibrant neighborhoods. The specific focus areas of this program in DC are: community and workforce development with an emphasis on housing and neighborhood revitalization; mentoring outreach and early childhood education; and health and human services. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations based in and serving DC. The new deadline for applications is August 25, 2004. For further information or to apply, go to: www.Bankofamerica.com/foundation.



Arts in Healthcare. Johnson & Johnson, working in conjunction with the Society for the Arts in *Healthcare*, seeks to promote the use of the arts to enhance the healthcare experience for patients, their families, and caregivers. Proposals are being sought from healthcare organizations and/or arts agencies working in partnership to produce innovative projects to serve patients, their families, and caregivers in healthcare settings as well as in communities to promote healing and preventative health. Projects may be located in a variety of settings, including clinics, hospitals, hospices, medical schools, public health services, or other community programs. The range of grant projects is intended to be broad. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, governmental agencies, or partnerships of healthcare providers or arts organizations working in a formal partnership with a healthcare agency. The deadline for Letters of Intent (LOIs) is August 30, 2004, at 5:00pm (EST). For further information, the application, and frequently asked questions, go to: http://www.thesah.org/grants/johnson.html.

#### Children's Environmental Health and Justice.

Community Toolbox for Children's Environmental Health supports community-based initiatives to protect children from environmental health hazards. Community Toolbox provides small grants, training, and technical assistance to build organizational capacity and sustainability. Eligible applicants include nonprofit community-based organizations or emerging groups working to build organizational capacity as part of their effort to prevent childhood lead poisoning or prevent environmental threats to children's health in communities at highest risk. The deadline for Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) is September 13, 2004, at 5:00pm. Approximately 10-20 grant will be made, ranging from \$2,500-\$20,000. Before applying, applicants are encouraged to call Community Toolbox at (800) 220-7630 or (415) 614-9533 and have a brief conversation with the staff about your organization. For further information, go to: http://www.communitytoolbox.org/.

**Domestic Violence.** *Verizon Wireless* announces funds for domestic violence through its HopeLine Program. The program supports organizations involved in domestic violence prevention and education to enable them to introduce new programs, expand existing ones or add facilities to better serve clients. Preference will be given to domestic

violence prevention proposals that: emphasize the benefits of the new or expanded program or services; include a plan for implementing the new or expanded program or services with a defined beginning and end; and define measurable results. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations based in DC, Virginia, and Maryland. The deadline for applications is August 31, 2004. A total of 12 grants of \$2,500 each will be awarded. For further information and to access the application, contact Tracey Primrose, CP Communications, at (202) 966-8779, (301) 509-0535-wireless, or Primroseta@aol.com.

Education, Social Services, and Health. *The Charles A. Frueauff Foundation* supports organizations that provide services in the areas of education, social services, and health. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2004. Most first time grant awards are \$15,000. First time grant seekers are encouraged to call the Foundation prior to submitting a full proposal. For further information, contact Sue Frueauff, The Charles A. Frueauff Foundation, Three Financial Centre, 900 S. Shackleford, Suite 300, Little Rock, AR 72211; (501) 219-1410; (501) 219-1416-fax; or go to: http://www.frueaufffoundation.com/default.asp.

FY 2005 Parent Centers and Out of School Time **Programs - Ages 5-13 (RFP I).** The DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (Trust) requests proposals for the funding of quality programming to serve children, youth and parents in DC. In particular, the Trust welcomes proposals that support pre-adjudicated and adjudicated children, children with special needs, children in foster care, parent centers with child abuse prevention programs, faith-based initiatives, and programs providing services to "Hot Spot" communities. ("Hot Spot" communities, as defined by the Metropolitan Police Department, are identified by maps available at www.cyitc.org or by calling (202) 347-4441.) Grants will be awarded in two areas: Parent Centers; and Out-of School Time Programs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, with the primary program focus on serving children and/or youth within DC, that have been in existence since at least October 1, 2003. The deadline for applications is September 8, 2004, at 5:00pm. Four Bidders' Conferences will be held in August: August 18,



1:00-3:00pm, 1616 P Street, NW, Suite 700; August 19, 10:00am-noon, Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church, 3000 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE; August 24, 10:00am-noon, Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 10<sup>th</sup> Street, NE; and August 25, 10:00am-noon, Carlos Rosario Public Charter School, 11<sup>th</sup> and Harvard Streets, NW. For further information on the conferences and the application, contact the Trust at (202) 347-4441; or go to: www.cyitc.org.

FY 2005 Older Youth - Ages 14-24 (RFP II). The DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (Trust) requests proposals for the funding of quality programming to serve children, youth and parents in DC. In particular, the Trust welcomes proposals that support pre-adjudicated and adjudicated children, children with special needs. children in foster care, parent centers with child abuse prevention programs, faith-based initiatives, and programs providing services to "Hot Spot" communities. ("Hot Spot" communities, as defined by the Metropolitan Police Department, are identified by maps available at www.cvitc.org or by calling (202) 347-4441.) Grants will be awarded in three areas: In-School Youth Programs; Out-of School School (graduate or drop-out) Programs; and Youth Engagement Programs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, with the primary program focus on serving children and/or youth within DC, that have been in existence since at least October 1. 2003. The deadline for applications is September 8, 2004, at 5:00pm. Four Bidders' Conferences will be held in August: August 18, 3:00-5:00pm, 1616 P Street, NW, Suite 700; August 19, 1:00-3:00pm, Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church, 3000 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE; August 24, noon-2:00pm, Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 10<sup>th</sup> Street, NE; and August 25, noon-2:00pm, Carlos Rosario Public Charter School, 11<sup>th</sup> and Harvard Streets, NW. For further information on the conferences and the application, contact the Trust at (202) 347-4441; or go to: www.cyitc.org.

Hunger. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America provides assistance to fight hunger throughout the U.S. through its Domestic Hunger Program. Support is provided for relief, with a focus on access to food, shelter, clothing, medical supplies and care to meet basic human needs. Program areas include: sustainable development; community organizing; and education and advocacy efforts

addressing the causes and elimination of hunger and poverty. Priority will be given to projects that focus on meeting the basic needs of the people with the least resources, and women and children living in poverty. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, including ecumenical, inter-agency, or secular community groups. The deadline for applications is October 1, 2004. For further information, go to:

http://www.elca.org/grantinghope/.

Needs of the Elderly. HCR Manor Care supports community-based services and education addressing the needs of the elderly, individuals requiring post-acute services, and individuals requiring hospice and palliative care. The Foundation's efforts are focused on sustaining dignity, independence, and a sense of well-being, essential elements of a vibrant quality of life. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is October 1, 2004. The Foundation only accepts online applications through the web site. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.hcr-manorcare.org/">http://www.hcr-manorcare.org/</a>.

**Paralysis.** The Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation provides Quality of Life Grants to organizations that help improve opportunities, access and day-to-day quality of life for individuals living with disabilities, primarily paralysis, and their families. Grants support organizations that address the needs of persons living with spinal cord injuries, their families and caregivers in twelve categories: children, arts, sports and recreation, education, advocacy, accessibility, practical service, independent living, assistive technology, therapeutic riding, employment and counseling. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 1, 2004. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available. For further information, go to:

 $\underline{http://www.christopherreeve.org/}.$ 

Reading and Writing. The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Innovation Fund provides grants to spark the creation or expansion of innovative education programs in a particular field each year. For 2005, the Foundation invites proposals from non-remedial, out-of-school programs in critical reading and/or writing for elementary and/or middle school students. Programs should be designed to help students build high-level reading and/or writing skills



to help them excel in rigorous academic environments as they mature. Programs must operate in the U.S. and serve low-to-moderate-income students. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is October 15, 2004. Approximately 3 grants will be made, ranging from \$100,000-\$200,000. For further information and to access the application, go to: <a href="http://www.jackkentcookefoundation.org/">http://www.jackkentcookefoundation.org/</a>.

September 11 Recovery Grants. The American Red Cross September 11 Recovery Program has issued the first of several Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for services assisting the long-term recovery of those directly affected by the events of September 11. Applications are invited for the following grant programs: Mental Health & Wellness - support for mental health and wellness services and programs that provide forums for people to share their experiences, for mental health and other professionals to learn how to better identify and serve those needing emotional support, and other mental health interventions: and Access to Recovery Services support for access, outreach, and services through community-based organizations with connections to underserved and hard- to-reach populations including the culturally or linguistically isolated, immigrants, and low-income populations. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations in good standing with quality services or programs that address the longterm needs of those impacted by September 11. The deadline for applications is September 9, 2004. For further information, contact the Red Cross Recovery Grant Program at (212) 812-4348 or info@recoverygrants.org; or go to: http://www.recoverygrants.org/.

Water Projects. Altria Group, Inc. announces funds for its environmental initiative. The goal is to support innovative programs/projects that encourage collaboration among stakeholders to address water impairment and water use issues, and their impact on watersheds and constituent water bodies. Grants will be made in either of the following categories: foster scientific understanding/build best practices; or promote community engagement/ encourage responsible policy. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations that have 3 or more years of experience in water conservation and/or water resource management and have demonstrable tangible results in its programming. The deadline for

application is September 30, 2004. Up to 20 grants, ranging from \$10,000-\$75,000, are available. For further information or to access the online application, go to:

http://www.altria.com/responsibility/04\_05\_02\_11\_0 0\_environmentrfp.asp.

**Youth Leadership.** *The Starbucks Foundation* funds local programs that serve low-income, at-risk youth through its Youth Leadership Grant Program. Grants are given in two areas: 1) Power of Literacy – programs that stimulate personal development and a commitment to social equity, justice and environmental awareness through writing, literacy and expression in public forums; and 2) Leaders in Diversity – programs that teach the value of societal diversity and develop youth leadership skills to foster understanding between individuals, groups and communities. Eligible organizations include nonprofit organizations that serve youth between the ages of 6-18 and involve Starbucks Partners (employees) in a meaningful way. The deadline for applications is October 1, 2004. Grants range from \$5,000-\$20,000. For further information, go to: http://www.starbucks.com/aboutus/grantinfo.asp?coo kie%5Ftest=1.

## **Resources & Announcements**

### 2004 Secretary's Innovation in Prevention

**Awards.** The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) requests nominations for its 2004 Secretary's Innovation in Prevention Awards. This activity is part of a broader Departmental initiative called Steps to a Healthier U.S. that advances President George W. Bush's HealthierUS goal of helping Americans live longer, better and healthier lives. The Innovation in Prevention Awards Initiative will identify and celebrate outstanding organizations that have implemented innovative and creative chronic disease prevention and health promotion programs. To be nominated, a program must address at least one of the following risk factors: obesity; physical activity; and nutrition. These awards will provide an opportunity to increase public awareness of creative approaches to develop and expand innovative health programs and duplication of successful strategies. Awards will be given in the following categories: Faith-Based, Health Care Delivery, Healthy Workplace, Nonprofit, Media, Public Sector, and Schools (K-12). The deadline for



nominations is September 3, 2004, at 5:00pm. To nominate a program, send an e-mail to: 2004InnovationAwards@prevent.org. Include your name, organization, award category, and contact information in the text of the message. For further information, contact Partnership for Prevention at (202) 833-0009 x 112; or go to: http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041 800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-18954.htm.

**AOL Tech Corps.** *NPower and DC Cares* will run the AOL Tech Corps program, a service that matches skilled AOL employee volunteers with nonprofit organizations lacking technical support and funding. The program is an opportunity for nonprofits to evaluate what their most important technology needs are and learn how to integrate technology into delivering on their missions. Last year's programs included Virus Vaccination and Tech Fitness Days. Participants are needed for a pilot project this year. AOL volunteers will conduct technology audits for area nonprofits and identify those that qualify for future projects. Eligible applicants include nonprofits with annual budgets under \$750,000. For further information, contact megan@npowergdcr.org; or go to: http://www.npowergdcr.org/dcaoltechcorps.htm.

**Comments Needed on Uniform Financial Guidelines for Government Grants.** The Uniform Guidelines Coalition, a coalition of nonprofits, has published a draft of Uniform Data Elements and Definitions for Grant Budgeting and Financial Reporting. This document will be used by government grantees as part of the federal grant streamlining process. The objective of the project is to facilitate creation of core summary budget data elements for use by both federal and state governments. The coalition is seeking comments from nonprofits and their accountants by September 30, 2004. After the guidelines are modified to incorporate input, a new version will be released for field-testing, and all grantees will be urged to try them. For further information, go to: http://www.ombwatch.org/article/articleview/2333/1/ 259.

**Free Consultants.** *COMPASS* is a volunteer consulting alliance composed of local MBA alumni from Harvard Business School, Stanford Graduate School of Business, Wharton Business School, and Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business. Working in

partnership with Greater DC Cares (www.dccares.org), COMPASS matches volunteers with carefully screened nonprofit organizations to perform projects that focus on topics such as: Strategic Planning/Expansion Strategy; Board Development Strategy; Organizational Development Strategy; Marketing and Communications Strategy; and Funding Strategy. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations that have an Executive Director, Board of Directors, at least 3 paid staff, an annual operating budget of at least \$500,000, and no religious affiliation. In addition, the services provided by the organization must benefit the Greater DC community. The deadline for applications for the 2004-2005 project cycle is September 17, 2004. For further information, contact Melissa Williams at (301) 654-5681 or Mwilliams@dc-cares.org; or go to: www.compassdc.com, Apply for a Project Team.

## **Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).**

The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

Learn How to Earn Online. NPower Greater DC Region and TouchDC (an initiative of Washington Grantmakers) present Learn How to Earn Online, the first in their E-ffective Ideas technology training series. Nonprofit managers will learn how to turn their organizational web sites into online fundraising vehicles, as well as discover resources that help them find more volunteers online to support their good work. In this class, participants will learn about: Guidestar and why is it important to register your nonprofit with them; "Donate Now" buttons and why it is important to have one on your nonprofit's web site; VolunteerMatch and how it can help nonprofits find volunteers. Included in the training will be step-by-step instructions on how to register for Guidestar



and VolunteerMatch, as well as how to place a "Donate Now" Button on your nonprofit's web site. This session will take place on August 31, 9:30amnoon, at Washington Council of Agencies, 1666 K Street, NW, Suite 440, Washington, DC 20006. For further information, contact Eric Rigaud at (202) 939-3433 or (202) 939-3442-fax; or go to: <a href="http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=8743058957">http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=8743058957</a>

Regional Report. The Greater Washington Initiative recently released its annual signature publication. The Greater Washington Regional Report provides current demographic, economic, business and quality of life data on the Greater Washington region. The 2004 report features a new international section, enhanced quality of life information and data that compares the Greater Washington region to the top ten most populous metro regions in the country. For further information, go to: http://www.greaterwashington.org/services/publicatio

ns/reg rept.htm.

**Samaritan Award.** The Acton Institute's mission is to promote a free and virtuous society characterized by individual liberty and sustained by religious principles. Its Center for Effective Compassion (CEC) is accepting applications for the Samaritan Award, a program that recognizes ten charities, groups that receive little to no government funding. Organizations must help individuals break the cycle of dependency by providing help that is direct, personal, and accountable. The deadline for nominations is September 1, 2004. First prize is \$10,000. Nine runners up may select from a list of professional capacity building services for help developing a results-oriented program, assistance approaching private philanthropy for support, website design and maintenance, and more. For further information, go to: www.acton.org/cec/survey/.

## **SAVE THE DATE. Grant Development**

**Triathlon.** The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) will host a Grant Development Triathlon. Experts from local foundations, as well as federal and DC government agencies, will provide tips on preparing successful proposals. The session will take place on September 23, 9:00am–3pm, at Allen Chapel AME Church, SE, Washington, DC. Stay tuned for additional information.

## **Workers Compensation Coverage Required of All**

**Employers.** The Department of Employment Services (DOES) continues to educate employers regarding their workers' compensation insurance responsibilities. Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage is required of all private employers, with one or more employees, in DC. For further information, go to:

http://brc.dc.gov/newsroom/2004/august/08 10.asp.

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